



NEWS RELEASE

Date: Tuesday, December 6, 2005
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

ARTESIA FREEWAY (SR-91) LANE AND RAMP CLOSURES (UPDATE)

DOWNEY - The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) announces the following closures for the High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV or carpool) lane reconstruction and pavement rehabilitation project on eastbound and westbound Artesia Freeway (SR-91), from Downey Avenue in Bellflower to Atlantic Avenue in Long Beach. The following overnight closures will be in effect, weather permitting, nightly, December 6 through December 9, for restriping. At least one lane will be open to traffic at all times.

Eastbound Route 91:

Tuesday, December 6:

- 8 p.m. until 6 a.m. – Up to three regular use lanes closed from Atlantic Avenue to Downey Avenue.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. – Atlantic Avenue on-ramp.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. – Cherry Avenue on and off-ramps.
- 6 p.m. until 6 a.m. – Paramount Boulevard on and off-ramps.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. – Downey Avenue on and off-ramps.

Thursday, December 8:

- 8 p.m. until 6 a.m. – HOV lane and up to four regular use lanes closed from The Long Beach Freeway (I-710) to Downey Avenue.

Westbound Route 91:

Tuesday, December 6:

- 8 p.m. until 5 a.m. – Up to three regular use lanes closed from Downey Avenue to Atlantic Avenue.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. – Lakewood Boulevard on-ramp.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. – Downey Avenue on and off-ramps.
- 6 p.m. until 6 a.m. – Paramount Boulevard on and off-ramps.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. – Cherry Avenue on and off-ramps.

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Westbound Route 91: (Continued)

Wednesday, December 7:

- 8 p.m. until 5 a.m. – Up to three regular use lanes closed from Downey Avenue to Atlantic Avenue.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. – Lakewood Boulevard on-ramp.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. – Downey Avenue on and off-ramps.
- 6 p.m. until 6 a.m. – Paramount Boulevard on and off-ramps.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. – Cherry Avenue on and off-ramp.
- 8 p.m. until 5 a.m. – HOV lane and up to three regular use lanes closed from Clark Avenue to Atlantic Avenue.

Thursday, December 8:

- 8 p.m. until 5 a.m. – HOV lane and up to two regular use lanes closed from Lakewood Boulevard to I-710.
- 8 p.m. until 5 a.m. – HOV lane and up to two regular use lanes closed between northbound and southbound I-710 connectors.

Friday, December 9:

- 8 p.m. until 5 a.m. – HOV lane and up to two regular use lanes closed from Lakewood Boulevard to I-710.
- 9 p.m. until 5 a.m. – HOV lane and up to two regular use lanes closed between northbound and southbound I-710 connectors.
- 7 p.m. until 4 a.m. – HOV lane and up to two regular use lanes closed between I-710 and the Harbor Freeway (SR-110).

The Artesia Freeway (SR-91) is one of the most heavily traveled roads in Los Angeles County and was also one of the first freeways to offer carpool lanes. As a result of heavy use, the asphalt pavement has experienced extensive wear. New pavement will improve safety and mobility for motorists. The expected time frame for completion is fall 2008. Caltrans advises motorists to **“Slow For The Cone Zone.”**

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